RESOLUTION ADOPTING RULES FOR
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETINGS
Adopted October 14, 1987
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WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the University of Pittsburgh encourages members of the University community to be informed on trustee views and actions on University issues;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Pennsylvania Sunshine Act, the meetings of the Board are generally open to the public, and the Board may enact rules for the conduct of its meetings and for the maintenance of order; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to establish procedures for the orderly observation of Board meetings by the public, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following rules be adopted to maintain order at meetings of the University's Board of Trustees:

1. Except by invitation of the Board, no one who is not a member of the Board shall address the Board, participate in the proceedings, interfere with the movement of participants or observers, or disturb the meeting in any way.

2. The Chairman may request any person who interferes with the orderly conduct of the meeting to leave the meeting room. If the person refuses to do so, the Chairman may direct campus safety officials to escort the person from the room or, as a last resort, to arrest and remove them.

3. If the Chairman determines that disruption makes it impossible or impractical for the Board to continue a meeting, he may, in his discretion:

   a. suspend the meeting and order it to be convened later the same day excluding all observers except University administrators, representatives of the press and others who have demonstrated that they will not disrupt the meeting when reconvened; or

   b. defer the remaining items on the agenda until a future Trustees meeting and adjourn the meeting.

Action of the Board is not required for either of the foregoing measures, provided the Chairman has determined, in his sole judgment, that such action would be impractical under the circumstances.
4. The University administration shall act, in accordance with normal University procedures, to ensure full compliance with these rules.

5. The Chairman may direct counsel for the University to apply to the courts or other governmental authorities for aid to restrain the violation or threatened violation of these rules.

6. In unusual cases, a person who is not a member of the Board of Trustees may request an invitation to address the Board, through advance approval of the Chairman of the Board. Such a request, stating the purpose, nature and length of the proposed statement, shall be submitted in writing to the Chairman of the Board fifteen days before the scheduled date of the meeting. If the invitation is extended, it will be with the understanding that such person shall address the Board upon recognition by the Chairman.